(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what would be the financial loss to the exchequer as a result thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL) : (a) The news-item captioned "Dornier Project may be scrapped" has come to the notice of the Government. There is no proposal to stop the production of the Dornier aircraft at the Kanpur Unit of HAL.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Dihang and Subansiri Hydro-Electric Projects

1284. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR :
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA :
SHRI CHITTA BASU :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government for the construction of Dihang and Subansiri Hydro Electric Projects in the North East which are supposed to produce about 20,000 MW of electrical energy; if so, the details thereof;

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor, especially when the whole country is facing power shortage every year;

(c) what are the budget provisions for the next three years for this purpose;

(d) whether any foreign collaboration regarding loan or investment is being considered for these two projects; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) by when the work of the projects is likely to be undertaken ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) and (b) The Brahmaputra Board submitted project reports for Dihang and Subansiri multi-purpose projects. The proposed total installed capactiy at these two dams is about 25,000 MW. At present Brahmaputra Board is attending to the observations of the appraising agencies. The project locations are in Arunachal Pradesh. Inter-State issues relating to submergence and sharing of costs and benefits by the basin States have to be resolved. Also, the clearance of these projects from the environmental angle and under the Forest Conservation Act 1980 is yet to be obtained.

(c) to (e) Do not arise.

Action against Commission Agents of Arms manufacturers

1285. SHRI JASWANT SINGH :
SHRI A. G. KULKARNI :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2100 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 13th August, 1987 and state :

(a) whether any follow up action on the investigations as mentioned in part (b) in Unstarred question has been taken and with what results; and

(b) whether the committee which has been appointed by Government has come across any *modus operandi* adopted by foreign and Indian agents and whether any steps have been taken to eliminate such agents and transactions ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL) : (a) The results of the investigations are still awaited.

(b) The Committee is yet to submit its report.

Visit of the Prime Minister to the site of National Test Range in Baliapal

1286. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have finally decided to establish a National Test Range in Baliapal in Orissa;